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AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

Claim 1. (Previously Amended) A method for the treatment, prophylaxis, or reduction of the risk of developing a menopause disorder in a mammal in need thereof, comprising administering to the mammal a menopause disorder effective amount of methyltestosterone in an oral dosage unit, and at least one pharmaceutically-acceptable steroid selected from the group consisting of estradiol, testosterone, androstenedione, androstanediol, dehydroepiandrosterone, pregnenolone, and dihydrotestosterone, and enantiomers, isomers, prodrugs or salts of the same in a non-oral dosage unit.

Claim 2. (Cancelled)

Claim 3. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the methyltestosterone is administered in the form of a tablet, capsule, cachet, lozéngé, dispensable powder, granule, solution, suspension, emulsion or liquid.

Claims 4-6 (Cancelled)

Claim 7. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the steroid is testosterone.

Claim 8. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein the testosterone is administered percutaneously.

Claim 9. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 8, wherein the testosterone is administered in the form of a hydroalcoholic gel.

Claim 10. (Not Amended) The method of claim 9, wherein the hydroalcoholic gel further comprises at least one of a lower alcohol, a penetration enhancer, and a thickener.

Claim 11. (Not Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the lower alcohol is selected from the group consisting ethanol, 2-propanol, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 12. (Not Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the enhancer is isopropyl myristate.

Claim 13. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the thickener is polyacrylic acid.

Claim 14. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the steroid is estradiol.

Claim 15. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 14, wherein the estradiol is administered percutaneously.

Claim 16. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 15, wherein the estradiol is administered in the form of a hydroalcoholic gel.

Claim 17. (Not Amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the hydroalcoholic gel further comprises at least one of a lower alcohol and a thickener.

Claim 18. (Not Amended) The method of claim 17, wherein the lower alcohol is at least one of ethanol, 2-propanol, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 19. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 18, wherein the thickener is polyacrylic acid.

Claim 20. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the methyltestosterone and the steroid are each provided as a separate component of a kit.

Claim 21. (Not Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the mammal is a human.

Claim 22. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the methyltestosterone and the steroid are administered in a sequential manner.

Claim 23. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the methyltestosterone and the steroid are administered in a substantially simultaneous manner.

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Claim 24. (Not Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising at least one of a pharmaceutical agent for treating erectile dysfunction.

Claim 25. (Not Amended) The method of claim 24, wherein the pharmaceutical agent is at least one of sildenafil citrate, pentoxifylline, yohimbine hydrochloride, apomorphine, alprostadil, papavaerine, and phentolamine.

Claim 26. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the methyltestosterone is administered in an amount of about 0.2 mg to about 50.0 mg, and the steroid comprises testosterone administered in an amount of about 0.1 mg to about 100.0 mg.

Claim 27. (Not Amended) The method of claim 26, wherein the mammal achieve hormonal steady state levels of testosterone.

Claim 28. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the methyltestosterone is administered in an amount of about 0.2 mg to about 50.0 mg methyltestosterone, and the steroid comprises estradiol administered in an amount of about 0.1 mg to about 100.0 mg.

Claim 29. (Not Amended) The method of claim 28, wherein the mammal achieve hormonal steady state levels of estradiol.

Claims 30-44 (Cancelled)

Claim 45. (Previously Amended) A method for the treatment, prophylaxis, or reduction of the risk of developing a menopause disorder in a mammal in need thereof, comprising administering to the mammal in a combination therapy methyltestosterone in an oral dosage unit, and at least one pharmaceutically-acceptable steroid selected from the group consisting of estradiol, testosterone, androstenedione, androstanediol, dehydroepiandrosterone, prenenolone, and dihydrotestosterone, and enantiomers, isomers, prodrugs or salts in a non-oral dosage unit,

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wherein the amount of methyltestosterone and the steroid together make a menopause disorder effective amount.

Claim 46. (Cancelled)

Claim 47. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 45 wherein the methyltestosterone is administered in the form of a tablet, capsule, cachet, lozenge, dispensable powder, granule, solution, suspension, emulsion or liquid.

Claims 48-50 (Cancelled)

Claim 51. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein the steroid is testosterone.

Claim 52. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 51, wherein the testosterone is administered percutaneously.

Claim 53. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 52, wherein the testosterone is administered in the form of a hydroalcoholic gel.

Claim 54. (Not Amended) The method of claim 53, wherein the hydroalcoholic gel further comprises at least one of a lower alcohol, a penetration enhancer, and a thickener.

Claim 55. (Not Amended) The method of claim 54, wherein the lower alcohol is selected from the group consisting of ethanol, 2-propanol, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 56. (Not Amended) The method of claim 54, wherein the enhancer is isopropyl myristate.

Claim 57. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 54, wherein the thickener is polyacrylic acid.

Claim 58. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein the steroid is estradiol.

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Claim 59. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein the estradiol is administered percutaneously.

Claim 60. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 59, wherein the estradiol is administered in the form of a hydroalcoholic gel.

Claim 61. (Not Amended) The method of claim 60, wherein the hydroalcoholic gel further comprises at least one of a lower alcohol and a thickener.

Claim 62. (Not Amended) The method of claim 61, wherein the lower alcohol is at least one of ethanol, 2-propanol, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 63. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 62, wherein the thickener is polyacrylic acid.

Claim 64. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein the methyltestosterone and the steroid are each provided as a separate component of a kit.

Claim 65. (Not Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein the mammal is a human.

Claim 66. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein the methyltestosterone and the steroid are administered in a sequential manner.

Claim 67. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein the methyltestosterone and the steroid are administered in a substantially simultaneous manner.

Claim 68. (Not Amended) The method of claim 45, further comprising at least one a pharmaceutical agent for treating erectile dysfunction.

Claim 69. (Not Amended) The method of claim 64, wherein the pharmaceutical agent is at least one of sildenafil citrate, pentoxifylline, yohimbine hydrochloride, apomorphine, alprostadil, papavaerine, and phentolamine.

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Claim 70. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein the methyltestosterone is administered in an amount of about 0.2 mg to about 50.0 mg, and the steroid comprises testosterone administered in an amount of about 0.1 mg to about 100.0 mg.

Claim 71. (Not Amended) The method of claim 70, wherein the mammal achieve hormonal steady state levels of testosterone.

Claim 72. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 45, wherein the methyltestosterone is administered in an amount of about 0.2 mg to about 50.0 mg methyltestosterone, and the steroid comprises estradiol administered in an amount of about 0.1 mg to about 100.0 mg.

Claim 73. (Not Amended) The method of claim 72, wherein the mammal achieve hormonal steady state levels of estradiol.

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